

REGISTER NOW SUFFOLK COUNTY AUTUMN PLANNING CONFERENCE 2015

Date: 10/14/2015

Time: 3:00 PM

**Suffolk County Planning Federation at
Suffolk County Economic Development and Planning
100 Veterans Memorial Highway
Hauppauge, New York**

Registration is Free and will be limited to 150 participants

Preregistration is required

Registration Link:

<http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Planning/SCPlanningFederation.aspx>

PROGRAM

Registration – 2:30 p.m.

General Session I – 3:00 p.m.

SIGN REGULATION - DEPARTMENT OF STATE (DOS)

Sign control isn't just a zoning issue—when regulating signage, municipalities must be careful not to violate free speech. This course reveals how signage can be regulated for aesthetics and explores the boundaries of what in signage municipalities may and may not regulate, through references to case law. The course also offers tips on drafting sign regulations, which includes regulation of billboards and other off-premises signs and elimination of nonconforming signs.

[Code Enforcement Officers may receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit.](#)

[Attorneys may receive 1.5 hour of Continuing Legal Education in the area of Professional Practice.](#)

Participants: Natasha Phillip, Esq. and Linda King, New York Department of State

Moderator: Jennifer Casey, Suffolk County Planning Commission

LAND BANK - SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Land Banks across the country are facilitating the return of environmentally-challenged and tax-delinquent properties to productive uses. The redevelopment of these properties will increase surrounding property values, stabilize the tax base, improve the quality of life for neighborhood residents, and improve the environment for future generations.

This session will outline how the Suffolk County Land Bank is working to address the issue of tax-delinquent brownfields across Suffolk County, as the first New York State Land Bank primarily focused on brownfield redevelopment.

Participants: Andre Bermudez, Economic Development Specialist, Suffolk County Economic Development and Planning

Moderator: Samuel Chu, Suffolk County Planning Commission

PARKING STALL DEMAND REDUCTION - SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Representatives from Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning will discuss an initiative to codify Parking Stall Demand Reduction (PSDR) for Transit Oriented Developments (TODs). Can the implied benefits of TODs, more walking, biking and transit use be linked to a formula for the reduction in parking demand? Can parking stall demand reduction techniques be linked to FAR or height bonuses for TOD projects during the land use planning and approval process? Incentives need to be codified for builders, landlords, employers, employees and residents to not only provide certainty (a major plank of smart growth) in the approval and review process but moreover to incentivize the reduction in needed off street parking so as to achieve the highest and best use of land in a TOD.

Participants: Andrew Freleng, Chief Planner, Suffolk County Economic Development and Planning

Moderator: Samuel E. Kramer, Esq., Suffolk County Planning Commission

Dinner Break 4:40 p.m.

Host: Suffolk County Economic Development Corporation

Plenary Session 5:15

Opening Remarks: Sarah Lansdale, AICP, Director of Planning, Suffolk County Dept. Economic Development and Planning

Welcome: Dave Calone, Chairman, Suffolk County Planning Commission

Keynote Speaker: Lee Koppelman and Dave Calone – Planning - Past, Present and Future
Listen to an armchair discussion with Suffolk County Planning Commission Chairman David Calone and Dr. Lee Koppelman about past experiences in planning, major challenges facing our region today and thoughts about the future in Suffolk County.

General Session II – 6:00 p.m.

CASE LAW UPDATE – DEPARTMENT OF STATE (DOS)

CASE LAW UPDATE FOR PLANNING AND ZONING

Recent cases that pertain to land use will be summarized and the implications of them on land use regulation at the local level explored. Opinions by the New York State Attorney General, Office of State Comptroller, and Committee on Open Government that pertain to land use and local governance will also be reviewed.

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Participants: Natasha Phillip, Esq., New York Department of State

Moderator: Mike Kaufman, Suffolk County Planning Commission

FARMLAND DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS - SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Recent Amendments to Chapter 8 – Suffolk County’s Farmland Protection Program” – How does Chapter 8 help local farmers and how do recent amendments serve the long-term interests of Suffolk County agriculture?

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Participants: August Ruckdeschel, Suffolk County Dept. Economic Development and Planning
Robert Braun, Deputy Bureau Chief, Suffolk County Department of Law,

Moderator: Carl Gabrielsen, Suffolk County Planning Commission

PLANNING COMMISSIONER'S ROUND TABLE, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – SUFFOLK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Participants: Kyle Collins, AICP, Administrator, Town of Southampton, Jonathan Keyes, Director Downtown Revitalization, Town of Babylon, David Flynn, Director of Planning, Town of Smithtown, Chris Kempner, CDA Director, Town of Riverhead

Moderator: Samuel Chu, Suffolk County Planning Commission

General Session III – 8:00 p .m.

SPECIAL USE PERMITS - DEPARTMENT OF STATE (DOS)

Some uses require additional review and should be granted permission only if the application meets certain conditions. These special uses include gas stations, dog kennels, and uses with drive-through windows. The special use permit is also used for development in environmentally sensitive zones with overlays such as for wetlands, steep slopes, and along scenic ridgelines. Scenarios in which the special use permit tool is most helpful will be discussed, along with rules local boards must follow for reviewing and approving applications for special use permits.

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Participants: Linda King, Division of Local Government, New York Department of State

Moderator: John Finn, Suffolk County Planning Commission

LI TRANSIT PLANNING INITIATIVES – AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION LONG ISLAND

Representatives from Nassau County, Suffolk County and the Town of Babylon will discuss the various transit planning initiatives being undertaken on Long Island, including the Nassau Hub Transit Study, Route 110 Alternatives Analysis and County Executive Bellone's Connect Long Island. Given the changing transportation needs and modal preferences of young adults, coupled with downtown revitalization efforts being undertaken across the Island, there has never been a better opportunity to implement new transit solutions that provide transportation choices, spur economic development and protect the environment.

Participants: Aryeh Lemberger, Unit Head, NCDPW, Project Manager for the Nassau Hub Transit Study/AA, Eric Zamft, Project Manager for the Babylon AA, Sarah Lansdale, Director of Planning, SCDED&P

Moderator: Max Sokol, Parsons Brinckerhoff/APA

SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE AND OTHER MATTERS OF CONCERN AND INTEREST IN THE CENTRAL PINE BARRENS – CENTRAL PINE BARRENS JOINT PLANNING & POLICY COMMISSION

The Central Pine Barrens region is Long Island's premier wilderness, a 105,000-acre protected area that contains vast tracts of protected open spaces. These parcels lie over a major portion of Long Island's

sole-source aquifer, which provides potable drinking water to thousands of local residents, and the region contains one of the highest concentrations of endangered, threatened and rare plants, animals and habitats in all of New York State. This presentation will provide a very brief overview of the Central Pine Barrens region and the entity charged with the its protection and management, the Central Pine Barrens Joint Planning and Policy Commission, and will then discuss the most significant concerns, issues and challenges facing the Central Pine Barrens area, all of which are intimately related to land use planning. Topics to be highlighted include the Southern Pine Beetle infestation, proposed amendments to the land use chapters of the Central Pine Barrens Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Carmans River watershed protection, enforcement issues, stewardship and ecological management and wildfire prevention and response.

Participants: John Pavacic, Executive Director, Central Pine Barrens Joint Planning & Policy Commission

Moderator: Adrienne Esposito, Suffolk County Planning Commission

AICP accreditation has been requested by APA Metro-LI for the entire conference
 CLE accreditation is being provided by Suffolk Academy of Law. Please note that for each CLE program attended there is a cost of \$50 per program payable by check only made out to the Suffolk Academy of Law. One check per program preferred. No credit cards accepted and no billing. Program is suitable for Planning and Zoning Board Training requirements.

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